



# O Pale and Slender Girl

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## O pale and slender girl

O pale and slender girl,  
lean over me; bend down above me  
and with your eyes half-closed-  
linger so.

As ripened fruit  
stirs in the summer breeze, so  
would I see your waiting lips  
grow tremulous; \_\_\_\_\_ until  
some sudden sweep of longing  
drive them full upon my own.

Then would we love!

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**Moderato**

*mf* *con Ped.* *ten.*

O pale and slender girl, lean o - ver me, —

*rit* *pp rit molto* *a tempo* *rit*

bend down a - bove me and with your eyes half-closed lin - ger so.

*rit* *pp colla voce* *a tempo* *rit.*

**Molto Moderato***mp*

As ri - pen'd fruit

*p dolce*

*accel. e cresc.* *rit.*

stirs in the summer breeze, so would I see your wait-ing lips grow

*accel. e cresc.* *rit.*

*mp accel. e cresc.*

trem - u-lous; un - til some sud - den sweep of long - ing

*accel. e cresc.*

*ff* **Tempo I** *p*

drive them full up - on my own. Ah, then,

*f broad* *accel.* *rit. pp*

*p rit.* *pp* *pp*

then would we love, then would we love!

*dolce* *p* *pp* *pp*